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SUBJECT: RELOCATION OF COMMUNICATION CENTER PANAMA

1. POST CONTEMPLATING RELOCATION OF COMMUNICATION CENTER FROM SECOND TO THIRD (TOP) FLOOR OF EMBASSY. REASONS FOR MOVE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) SHIELDED ENCLOSURE, POSSIBLY ONE OF OLDES NODELS IN EXISTENCE, IS INADEQUATE IN TERMS OF SPACE AND ABSOLUTELY NO ROOM FOR EXPANSION IN PRESENT LOCATION. ALSO, AIRCONDITIONING

F SHIELDED ENCLOSURE,

TWO WINDOW UNITS, TOTALLY INADEQUATE. (B) WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF PANAMA CANAL TREATY THE POST ANTICIPATES INFLUX OF PERSONNEL TO CARRY OUT ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS PRESENTLY HANDLEE DY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE

CANAL ZONE. THIS, OF COURSE, BRINGS IN THE REQUIREMENT FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE, NONE PRESENTLY AVAILABLE .

2. POST PLANNING ON TRANSFERRING RTC, CURRENTLY ON THIRD FLOOR OF CHANCERY, TO ANOTHER BUILDINGGV. C&R WOULD THEN MOVE TO SPACE VACATED BY RTC. PRESENT C&R SPACE WOULD BE CONVERTED TO OFFICE SPACE.

3. THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO CONDUCT AN ON-SITE SURVEY TO DETERMINE (A) FEASIBILITY OF PROPOSED MOVE; (B) RENOVATIONS REQUIRED TO SATISFY SECURITY REGULATIONS ETC.

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